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Human resources development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 52/196 of 18 December 1997, 54/211 of 22 December 1999, 56/189 of 21 December 2001 and 58/207 of 23 December 2003,

Recalling also the development section of the 2005 World Summit Outcome,[1]

Stressing that human resources development is key to the efforts to achieve the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, and to expand opportunities for people, in particular for the most vulnerable groups of the population,

Recognizing that globalization and the evolution of information and communication technologies have made the challenge of human resources development more complex for developing countries, which face a widening gap compared with developed countries in terms of access to knowledge and information and communication technologies,

Recognizing also that international mobility, especially of highly skilled people and those with an advanced education, can have a negative impact on the efforts of developing countries to build human resources and to integrate in the global economy, and stressing the need for a global and comprehensive approach to maximize the positive impact of skilled labour mobility on human resources development in developing countries,

Emphasizing the continuing need for coordination and collaboration among the organizations of the United Nations system, within their mandates, in assisting

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

[1] See resolution 60/1, sect. II.

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developing countries, in particular the least developed countries, in fostering their human resources development,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on human resources development;[2]

2. *Recognizes* the importance of human resources development in promoting sustainable development, and encourages Governments to integrate human resources development policies in their national development strategies;

3. *Stresses* that investment in human resources development should be an integral part of national development policies and strategies, and in this regard calls for the adoption of policies to facilitate investment focused on building human capacities and infrastructure, including, inter alia, education, health and science and technology, including information and communication technologies;

4. *Calls for* enhanced cooperation among all development partners, including those within the United Nations system, other international organizations, donors and private sector and non-governmental organizations, to support the human resources development efforts of developing countries as articulated in national development strategies;

5. *Also calls for* steps to integrate gender perspectives in human resources development, including through policies, strategies and targeted actions aimed at promoting women's capacities and access to productive activities;

6. *Encourages* the strategic and innovative use of information and communication technologies in national development policies and programmes to facilitate education, training, knowledge transfer, recruitment and job creation, and calls upon the international community to support the efforts of developing countries in this regard;

7. *Calls upon* the relevant entities of the United Nations system to give priority to the objectives of human resources development through, inter alia, integrating in their development programmes explicit support for building science and technology capacities compatible with local needs, resources, culture and practices;

8. *Further calls upon* the international community, including the entities of the United Nations system, to support the efforts of developing countries to address the adverse effects of HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis and other infectious diseases on their human resources;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-second session a report on the implementation of the present resolution with a focus on the role of science and technology in promoting human resources development;

10. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-second session the sub-item entitled "Human resources development".

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[2] A/60/318.